

What is claimed is:

1. A system for identifying goods to be stored in a container having a controlled environment, said system comprising:
 - a sensor for sensing a code previously assigned to the goods; and
 - a processor for associating the sensed code with at least one control parameter value used to control the environment within the container whereby the environment for the goods can be controlled by the control parameter value.
2. The system of claim 1 wherein the processor is operative to compare a representation of the sensed code with previously stored representations of codes for goods that could be stored in the container, said processor being operative to select at least one control parameter associated with a previously stored representation of code that matches the representation of the sensed code.
3. The system of claim 2 further comprising:
 - a display connected to the processor, wherein the processor is operative to send a message to the display indicating whether a match has occurred.
4. The system of claim 3 wherein the processor is operative to permit entry of a representation of the sensed code and at least one control parameter to be associated therewith in the event that a match has not occurred.
5. The system of claim 4 further comprising a keypad, wherein the processor is operative to note depression of at least one key on the keypad before permitting entry of a representation of the sensed code and at least one control parameter associated therewith.
6. The system of claim 1 wherein the code is a bar code and the sensor is a bar code sensor.
7. The system of claim 1 wherein the sensor is a handheld sensor that may be

positioned over the code to be sensed.

8. The system of claim 1 wherein the code is affixed to a containment means for the goods.

9. The system of claim 8 wherein the code is a bar code and the sensor is a handheld barcode sensor.

10. A process for identifying goods to be stored in a container having a controlled environment, said process comprising:
 sensing a code previously assigned to the goods; and
 associating the sensed code with at least one control parameter value used to control the environment within the container whereby the environment for the goods can be controlled by the control parameter value.

11. The process of claim 10 wherein said step of associating the sensed code with at least one control parameter value used to control the environment within the container comprises the step of:

 comparing a representation of the sensed code with previously stored representations of codes for goods that could be stored in the container; and
 selecting at least one control parameter associated with a previously stored representation of code that matches the representation of the sensed code.

12. The process of claim 11 further comprising the step of:

 communicating a message indicating whether a match has occurred

13. The process of claim 12 further comprising the step of:

 permitting entry of a representation of the sensed code and at least one control parameter to be associated therewith in the event that a match has not occurred.

14. The process of claim 10 wherein the code is a bar.

15. The process of claim 14 wherein the wherein the code is affixed to a containment means for the goods.